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In re Application of: Douglas Paul ALLARD

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For: PREFILTER FOR WATER TREATMENT

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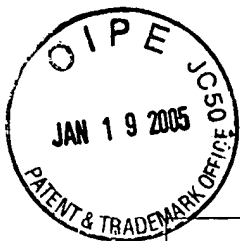
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This is in response to the Office Action dated **October 19, 2004**, having a shortened statutory period for response that expires on January 19, 2005. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.



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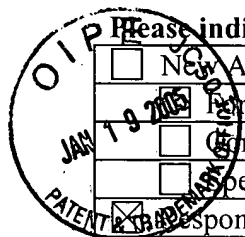
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